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In re Application of:)
Sunil PALAKODATI et al.)
Serial No.: 10/041,094) Examiner: Tony Winner)
Filing Date: December 28, 2001) Group Art Unit No.: 3611
Entitled: ELECTRIC POWER ASSIST STEERING SYSTEM WITH ROLLER GEARBOX)))

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Please amend claim 1 as follows without prejudice or disclaimer. A marked up version of the amended claim is provided in the appendix with insertions underlined and deletions in brackets.

A roller pinion gear for use in a power assist steering system, comprising a roller wheel having a plurality of radially projecting teeth about its periphery, wherein said teeth comprise pins rotatably mounted in and projecting from